

To Create a Wordle IceBreaker for Distance Education courses:

In this activity, students should complete the following steps to create their Wordle Icebreaker, which will be used to introduce students to one another and to their instructor at the beginning of a distance education class:

1. Go to <http://www.wordle.net> (no need to sign up)
2. Choose "Create your own."
3. In the box labeled, "Paste in a bunch of text": type your first and last name on separate lines.
4. Then, using the letters of your first name, type in words to describe yourself to the others in the class.
5. When you are finished, press "Go."
6. At this point you may choose to either change the layout or colors, using the pull down menus.
7. When you are satisfied with result, press print screen (on PC) or Shift,Command,3 (on Mac) to save your Wordle image as a screen shot.
8. Open screen shot (in Preview) and select only the part that you wish to see. Copy and paste the selected part into a new file (from clipboard while still in Preview).
9. At this point, you may copy and paste photos onto your "untitled" preview file.
10. When you are satisfied with result, save new file as either a .jpg (image file) or .pdf (portable document file) using pull down menu.
11. Upload .jpg or .pdf file to D2L using directions on Course Home page.
12. See example below of finished Wordle name intro.

